Docket No.: 55071-129 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Bruce W. SMITH

Serial No.: 10/083,694

Filed: February 27, 2002

Customer Number: 20277

Confirmation Number: 1516

Group Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: Peter B. Kim

OPTICAL PROXIMITY CORRECTION ... GRAY BARS AS SUB-RESOLUTION ASSIST FEATURES For:

Mail Stop FEE Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached: Petition for Extension of Time

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	18	22	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	8	5	3	\$86.00 =	\$258.00
	Multiple claims newly presented				\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$110.00
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations		\$368.00	

 \boxtimes Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$368.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

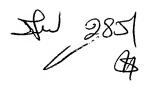
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire August 14, 2004, a petition for a one month extension of time up to and including September 14, 2004 being filed concurrently herewith, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending rejections for the reasons set forth below.